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1. FOLLOWING AN INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST UNITED BRANDS (SEE REFERENCE AIRGRAM), THE EC COMMISSION COMPETITION DEPARTMENT HAS SENT A LETTER OF COMPLAINT TO UNITED BRANDS'S OFFICE IN ROTTERDAM. THE COMMISSION, BASING ITS CASE ON ARTICLE 86 OF THE ROME TREATY, ALLEGES THAT UNITED BRANDS ABUSED ITS DOMINANT POSITION BY NOT SELLING ITS CHIQUITA BANANAS TO A DANISH IMPORTER. THERE MAY ALSO BE OTHER "ABUSES" INVOLVING CONDUCT IN IRELAND AND ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY. UNITED BRANDS WILL NOW HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND IN WRITING AND IN A HEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO COMMISSION ALLEGATIONS BEFORE THE COMMISSION MAKES A FINAL DECISION.MYERSON

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